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ACCOMPLISHMENT ON PROJECTS OPERATED BY THE WORK PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION

TENNESSEE

The program of the Work Projects Administration was undertaken in the summer of 1935 for the purpose of providing employment on useful public projects. WPA project operations since that time have resulted in the creation or improvement of a wide variety of public facilities and services in the State of Tennessee.

A summary of the major types of facilities completed is presented in this statement. The report shows the number of physical units constructed or improved from the beginning of the program through December 31, 1939. The data include only those units upon which work had been completed during this period and do not include units upon which work was still in progress.

In the nonconstruction field, WPA workers have assisted many communities in expanding and improving their educational, health, and other public services and have also conducted art, music, educational and other activities in which the public could participate directly. In addition to reports of completed units of work, reports of public participation in a number of these activities during representative periods are included in this summary.

Accomplishment and Public Participation on Projects of the Work Projects Administration
Cumulative Through Dec. 31, 1939, and During Selected Periods in December 1939 and January 1940

		Number					New construction	Reconstruction or improvement	Additions
HIGHWAYS, ROADS, STREETS, AND RELATED FACILITIES									
Highways, roads, and streets—total	Miles	29,134			OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES—Con.				
Rural roads—total	Miles	27,918			Handball courts	Number	17	6	
High-type surface—total	Miles	867			Horseshoe courts	Number	7	—	
New construction	Miles	581			Tennis courts	Number	119	6	
Reconstruction or improvement	Miles	286			Swimming pools	Number	8	—	
Low-type surface and unsurfaced	Miles	27,051			Wading pools	Sq. ft. of surface	44,400	—	
Urban streets—total	Miles	875			Bandshells	Number	7	—	
High-type surface—total	Miles	284			Outdoor theaters	Number	4	—	
New construction	Miles	168			Golf courses	Number	1	2	
Reconstruction or improvement	Miles	116				Number	5	2	
Low-type surface and unsurfaced	Miles	591				Number of holes	45	36	
Other roads (in parks, etc.)—total	Miles	341				Area in acres	233	260	
High-type surface—total	Miles	22			PUBLIC UTILITIES AND SANITATION				
New construction	Miles	15			Utility plants—total	Number	6	4	
Reconstruction or improvement	Miles	7			Incinerator plants	Number	1	2	
Low-type surface and unsurfaced	Miles	319				Cap. in tons per day	2	155	
			New construction	Reconstruction or improvement	Pumping stations	Number	4	—	
Bridges and viaducts—total	Number	3,080	1,538			Cap. in gal. per day	14,722,000	—	
	Linear feet	104,648	36,534		Sewage treatment plants	Number	—	2	
Wood bridges and viaducts	Number	2,540	1,485			Cap. in gal. per day	—	609,000	
	Linear feet	78,832	31,251		Water treatment plants	Number	1	—	
Steel bridges and viaducts	Number	366	43			Cap. in gal. per day	29,000	—	
	Linear feet	18,486	4,700		Water mains and distribution lines	Miles	73	1	
Masonry bridges and viaducts	Number	174	10		Water consumer connections	Number	3,700	—	
	Linear feet	7,330	583		Water wells	Number	22	—	
Culverts	Number	36,437	2,715		Storage tanks, reservoirs, etc.	Number	9	1	
	Linear feet	751,896	53,975			Cap. in gallons	1,110,000	2,000	
Road drainage ditch and pipe	Miles	1,909	6,010		Storage dams	Number	1	1	
Sidewalks and paths—total	Miles	166	4			Cap. in acre-feet	1	50	
Paved sidewalks and paths	Miles	82	3		Storm and sanitary sewers	Miles	100	2	
Unpaved sidewalks and paths	Miles	84	1		Sewerage service connections	Number	10,300	69	
Curbs	Miles	210	42		Manholes and catch basins	Number	2,817	68	
Gutters	Miles	23	1		Sanitary privies	Number	160,707	—	
Guardrails and guardwalls	Miles	6	(¹)		Abandoned mine sealing	Openings sealed	1,233	—	
Grade-crossing elimination	Number eliminated	1	—		Mosquito-control drainage	Acres drained	35,923	49,698	
Traffic signs erected	Number	24,500	—			Miles of ditch and pipe	572	383	
Roadside landscaping	Miles of road	—	31		Mosquito-control spraying	Gallons sprayed	2,600	—	
					Telephone and telegraph lines	Miles	1	—	
					Electric power lines	Miles	1	—	
					Floodlighting athletic fields, parking lots, etc.	Number lighted	8	1	
					Gas, oil, and steam pipe lines	Acres lighted	253	2	
						Miles	1	—	
					CONSERVATION, FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL, AND IRRIGATION				
					Fish hatcheries	Number	—	1	
						Annual capacity in fingerlings	—	298,000	
					Retaining walls and revetments	Miles	34	(¹)	
					Riprap	Square yards	382,700	200	
					Riverbank and shore improvement	Miles	—	139	
					Streambed improvement	Miles	—	159	
					Conservation, flood, and erosion control dams	Number	50	—	

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Cumulative Through Dec. 31, 1939, and During Selected Periods in December 1939 and January 1940

		New con- struction	Reconstruc- tion or improvement	Addi- tions		Number
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS						
Cemeteries	Number	—	2	—		
	Area in acres	—	96	—		
Landscaping and beautification, other than roadside and parks	Acres		1,445			
Ornamental pools and fountains	Number	2	—	—		
Drainage, other than roadside and mosquito control	Acres drained	7,790	2,088	—		
	Miles of ditch	15	9	—		
	Miles of pipe	49	(¹)	—		
Fencing	Miles	114	13	—		
Tunnels	Number	1	—	—		
	Linear feet	46	—	—		
EDUCATION, ART, AND MUSIC ACTIVITIES (During a 2-week period in January 1940)						
Adult education:						
Literacy and naturalization	Enrollees		5,570			
Vocational training	Enrollees		2,097			
Other adult education	Enrollees		13,309			
Lectures and forums	Persons attending		2,500			
Nursery schools	Schools		28			
	Enrollees		786			
Art instruction	Enrollees		119			
Music:						
Concerts	Performances		10			
	Persons attending		2,300			
PUBLIC HEALTH AND HOSPITAL ACTIVITIES						
Medical services	Examinations and treatments	250	—	250		
	Tests	1,724	58	1,666		
PUBLIC HEALTH AND HOSPITAL ACTIVITIES—Con.						
Housekeeping-aide services:						
Families assisted (during month of December 1939)						1,021
Visits made (cumulative through Dec. 31, 1939)						234,000
School-lunch services:						
On Jan. 17, 1940	Schools serviced					1,061
	Lunches served					74,100
Cumulative through Dec. 31, 1939	Lunches served					18,975,000
LIBRARY AND BOOK-REPAIR ACTIVITY						
Library units operated or assisted (during December 1939)—total						11
General public-library units						4
Public-school library units						5
Other library units						1
Bookmobiles						1
Book renovation (cumulative through Dec. 31, 1939)—total						1,557,000
General public-library volumes						672,000
Public-school library volumes						177,000
Other library volumes						708,000
SEWING, MATTRESS MAKING, AND FOOD PRESERVING (Cumulative through Dec. 31, 1939)						
Garments completed—total ²						2,645,000
Men's garments						390,000
Women's garments						776,000
Boys' garments						388,000
Girls' garments						707,000
Infants' garments ²						384,000
Articles other than garments						2,618,000
Food preserving:						
Quarts canned						1,914,000
Pounds dried						823,000

¹Less than 0.5 mile.
²Excluding layettes.

